

Lake Sylvia Recreation Area

Ouachita National Forest



Biking



Camping



Fishing



Hiking



Swimming

Nestled between scenic pine and oak-clad mountains in the northeast corner of the Ouachita National Forest is Lake Sylvia Recreation Area.

The serene 18-acre lake is noted for its swimming and fishing opportunities only 38 miles west of Little Rock.

Facilities:

- 19 camping units with electricity
- 8 camping units - tent only, no electricity
- 36 picnicking units
- 2 group campsites
- Swimming area and beach
- Diving platform
- Restrooms (flush toilets and showers)
- Horseshoe pits
- Hiking trails
- Interpretive trails
- Trailer sanitary station
- Amphitheater
- Water fountains and hydrants

These facilities are available on a first-come, first-served basis during the recreation season from mid-spring to early fall. Fees are charged for the use of the area and posted at the self-service pay station with instructions. Camping fees include swimming privileges.

For more information

Jessieville Visitor Information Ctr.	Ouachita National Forest
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Jessieville, AR 71949	Hot Springs AR 71902
(501) 984-5313	Phone: (501) 321-5202

To help ensure an enjoyable visit for everyone, please note the following regulations. These rules are designed to help prevent damage to the natural resources and facilities as well as prevent conflicts with other forest visitors.

- Register within 30 minutes of your arrival; check out time is 2 p.m.
- Campsites may not be reserved for others.
- Campsites are limited to one family or group of six.
- Camping stay is limited to 14 consecutive days.
- Use only dead and down wood for campfires.
- Pets are allowed on a leash or restraint and restricted from the beach.
- Picnic area and beach are open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- Nonalcoholic beverage only in beach area.
- Fireworks are not allowed within the national forest.
- Camping is not allowed in the picnic area or beach.
- America the Beautiful Senior and Access passes are accepted.

Directions

The area can be accessed from State Highway 9 and 10 via State Highway 324, or from State Highway 7 via Forest Road 132, then Highway 9 and 10 to State Highway 324.

Area Latitude: 34.8676194
Area Longitude: -92.8224056



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Trails and Scenic Drive

- **Trees of the Forest Trail** - 0.4 mile, paved, accessible, self-guided, interpretive trail.
- **Wildcat Mountain Bike Trail** - 11 miles. Check at a Forest Service office for details.
- **Lake Sylvia Trail Complex** Lake Sylvia Loop (0.7 mile), Wildlife Loop (0.8 mile), Chinquapin Loop (0.6 mile), Chinquapin Spur, National Recreation Trail Spur.
- **Ouachita National Recreation Trail** - 192 miles, east to west, cross-country hiking trail. Maps are available on-line at:

<http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/ouachita/maps>
- **Winona Scenic Drive** - 27 miles, unpaved roads with spectacular views of Lake Winona and the eastern portion of the Ouachita mountain range.

Ties into Scenic Highway 7 National Scenic Byway and Flatside Wilderness.

Camping

For your comfort and convenience, each camping unit includes a table, tent/trailer pad, cooking grill, lantern post and parking spur. A water hydrant, garbage receptacle, restrooms and showers are within walking distance from each unit.

Travel trailers up to 22 feet in length can be accommodated.

Vicinity Map

